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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)

Applicant hereby requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the holding of abandonment entered by the Examiner on October 21, 2003 in the present application. In the Official Action dated October 21, 2003 the Examiner indicated that the application was abandoned for failure to respond to the restriction requirement dated March 25, 2003.

Applicant timely filed a Response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, with reasons why such restriction was improper and a provisional election of the Claims to Group I, by facsimile on 4/21/2003. A copy of these documents then filed and a receipt indicating that the PTO had received them by fax on the date indicated is submitted herewith.

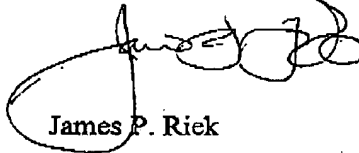
As it appears that the Office inadvertently misplaced the Response after receipt, the determination of abandonment is improper.

Withdrawal of the finding of abandonment is hereby requested, along with consideration of the grounds for finding unity of invention of the claims set forth in the accompanying papers.

Applicant requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If any matters exist that preclude issuance of a Notice of Allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the applicant's representative at the number indicated below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge any fees or credit any overpayment, particularly including any fees required under 37 CFR Sections 1.16 and/or 1.17, and any necessary extension of time fees, to deposit Account No. 07-1392.

Respectfully submitted,



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